

REPORT

DATE: September 1, 2005

TO: Administrative Committee
Regional Council

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SUBJECT: Resolution to Accept an FTA 5313b Grant for the Sun Village Transportation Study

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a Resolution to accept FTA 5313b grant funds for the Sun Village Transportation Study and authorize the Executive Director, to take actions and execute documents necessary to obtain the grant.

SUMMARY:

CALTRANS has awarded to SCAG a \$40,000 FTA 5313b grant for the Sun Village Transportation Study. The project purpose is to conduct a transit needs study in this unincorporated, high desert region of Los Angeles County. State regulations require that the Regional Council adopt a resolution accepting the grant so that the project can be amended into the SCAG OWP and project work can begin.

BACKGROUND:

The grant application for the Sun Village Transportation Study was initially submitted to Caltrans by the County of Los Angeles as a Community Based Transportation Planning (CBTP) grant project during the FY 2005-2006 application cycle. Counties may apply directly to Caltrans for CBTP grants. However, Caltrans subsequently determined that the project better met the criteria of the FTA 5313b Transit Planning grant program. Federal and state regulations require that only MPOs are eligible to receive FTA 5313b grant funds, and has awarded the project to SCAG.

FISCAL IMPACT:

SCAG will receive an additional \$40,000 in FTA 5313b funds on a cost reimbursement basis, with at least \$5,182 in cash or in-kind local match to be provided by County of Los Angeles, once the project is amended into the OWP and all grant requirements are met.

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**RESOLUTION #05-466-1 OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TO APPROVE AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT FEDERAL
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY (FTA) 5313(b) GRANT FUNDS FOR THE
SUN VILLAGE TRANSPORTATION STUDY**

WHEREAS, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for six counties: Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, and Imperial;

WHEREAS, only MPOs and Regional Transportation Planning Agencies are eligible to receive FTA 5313(b) grant funds awarded by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) through an annual competitive selection process;

WHEREAS, Caltrans has awarded to SCAG FTA 5313(b) funds for the Sun Village Transportation Study; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this project is \$40,000 in 5313(b) grant funds, with at least \$5,182 in local (non-Federal) cash or in-kind match provided by the County of Los Angeles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments ("SCAG"), that SCAG does hereby approve acceptance of FTA 5313(b) grant funds for the Sun Village Transportation Study.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

1. That the SCAG Executive Director or in his absence, the Deputy Executive Director is hereby designated and authorized to execute and submit the necessary documents for approval to the various participating State and Federal agencies to include the FTA 5313(b) funds for the Sun Village Transportation Study in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 OWP; and
2. That SCAG pledges to secure non-Federal cash or services, or both, for the matching funds necessary for financial assistance.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the unanimous vote of the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments at a regular meeting this 1st day of September, 2005.

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